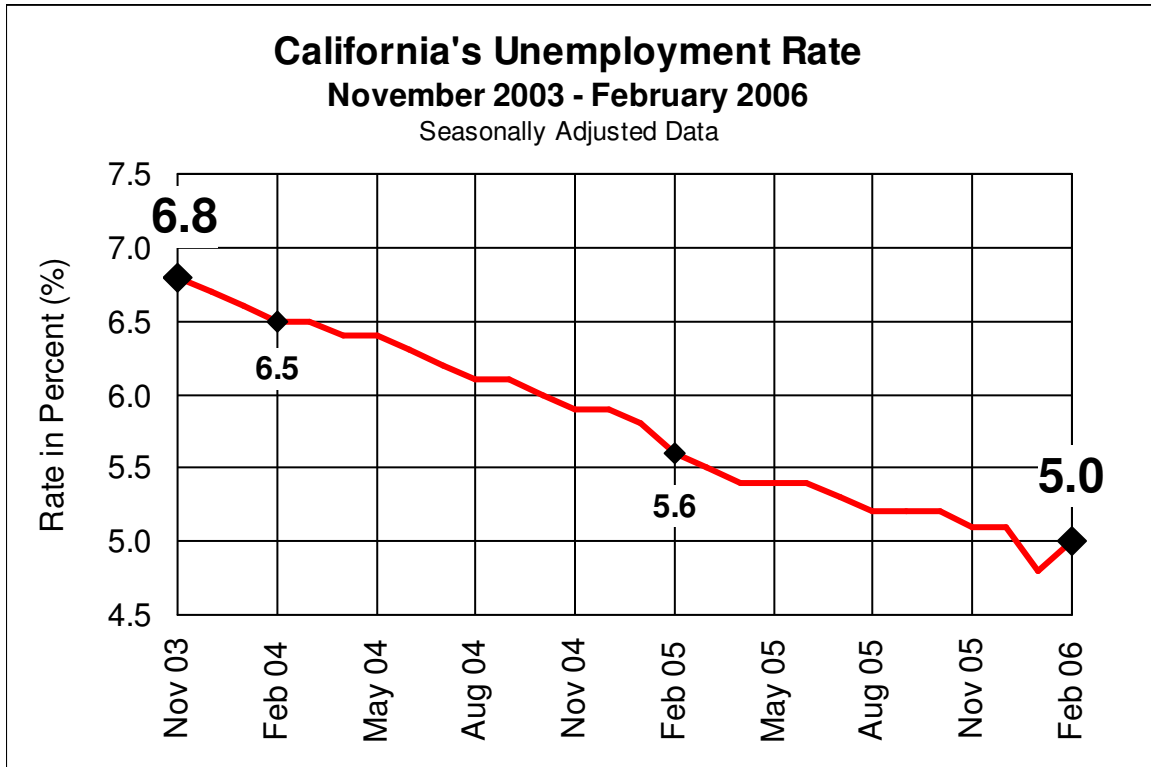


Statewide Unemployment Rates



When Governor Schwarzenegger took office in November 2003, the state's unemployment rate was 6.8 percent. By February 2006, the rate had fallen to 5.0 percent.

Regional Job Creation Data

Bakersfield Region

	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
Feb. 04:	11.4%
Feb. 06:	8.9%
Change:	-2.5%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 - Feb. 06): 17,500

Inland Empire Region

	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
Feb. 04:	5.9%
Feb. 06:	4.7%
Change:	-1.2%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 - Feb. 06): 103,100

Fresno Region

	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
Feb. 04:	12.6%
Feb. 06:	9.7%
Change:	-2.9%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 - Feb. 06): 11,900

Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale Region

	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
Feb. 04:	6.6%
Feb. 06:	5.5%
Change:	-1.1%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 - Feb. 06): 60,900

**Oakland-Fremont-Hayward
Region**

	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
Feb. 04:	6.2%
Feb. 06:	4.6%
Change:	-1.6%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 - Feb. 06): 33,000

**San Francisco-San Mateo-
Redwood City Region**

	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
Feb. 04:	5.7%
Feb. 06:	4.3%
Change:	-1.4%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 - Feb. 06): 13,400

Sacramento Region

	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
Feb. 04:	5.9%
Feb. 06:	4.8%
Change:	-1.1%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 – Feb. 06): 47,200

**San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara
Region**

Feb. 04:	7.5%
Feb. 06:	5.1%
Change:	-2.4%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 - Feb. 06): 12,800

San Diego Region

Feb. 04:	4.9%
Feb. 06:	4.1%
Change:	-0.8%

Jobs created (Feb. 04 – Feb. 06): 49,900

Notes:

- 1) A November 2003 to February 2006 comparison was not used because such a comparison may statistically skew the data. Unlike statewide data, regional data is not seasonally adjusted because of its sample size. As a point of reference, however, the seasonally adjusted statewide unemployment rate fell from 6.8 percent in November 2003 to 6.5 percent in February 2004.
- 2) Regional unemployment rates (not seasonally adjusted) for February 2004 may change when revised labor force data for the January 2000 – December 2004 period are released to the public on April 21, 2006.